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A SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY.

FROM EZRA TO THE MACCABEES.

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THE books here mentioned are intended to supply to readers and students of the period of Jewish history from 440 B. C. to 160 B. C. some hints as to the literature in English upon the subject which may profitably be consulted. There are no books which deal with this period solely, and few which give detailed consideration to it. Sections and chapters of many larger works often furnish valuable material. Much reading may be done on these lines which leads to little direct and definite knowledge, but still is useful as giving the background and horizons of the subject. Starred (*) books are for more advanced students.

A. HISTORICAL WORKS BEARING DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ON THE FIELD.

1. RAWLINSON, *The Five Great Monarchies*, Vol. III. New York: Charles Scribner's Sons.

Rawlinson gives the history of Persia during this period in which, down to *ca.* 330 B. C., the Jews were under Persian rule.

2. MAHAFFY, *Alexander's Empire.* New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons. ("Story of the Nations" series.)

Mahaffy gives the history of the Greek conquest of the Orient and the struggles of the kingdoms of Syria and Egypt, which often made Palestine their battleground.

*3. MAHAFFY, *Greek Life and Thought.* New York: Macmillan & Co.

This book covers the same general field as 2, but devotes more attention to the inner life.

*4. EWALD, *History of the People of Israel*, Vol. V. London: Longmans, Green & Co.

Ewald's fifth volume of his great history is masterly in its grouping, presentation of details, and insight into the inner meaning of the facts, but its scholarship is not up to date.

*5. RENAN, *History of the People of Israel*, Vol. IV. Boston: Roberts Bros.

Brilliant and suggestive, more trustworthy than the earlier volumes.

6. WELLHAUSEN, *Sketch of the History of Israel and Judah*, chap. xi. New York: Charles Scribner's Sons.

7. REDFORD, *Four Centuries of Silence.* Chicago: A. C. McClurg & Co.
8. WADDY-MOSS, *From Malachi to Matthew.* London: Chas. H. Kelly.
9. FAIRWEATHER, *From the Exile to the Advent.* Edinburgh: T. & T. Clark.
10. SKINNER, *Historical Connection between the Old and New Testaments.* Edinburgh: T. & T. Clark. ("Bible Class Primers.")
11. CORNILL, *History of Israel.* Chicago: Open Court Publishing Co.

The above (6–11) contain good treatments of the "inter-biblical" period, giving the essential facts in moderate compass.

12. HUNTER, *After the Exile,* Vol. II. Edinburgh: Oliphant, Anderson & Ferrier.

This is a fuller discussion, written with a scholarly enthusiasm which makes it good reading.

13. KENT, *A History of the Jewish People: Babylonian, Persian, and Greek Periods.* New York: Chas. Scribner's Sons.

Just from the press, and promises to be the most satisfactory discussion of the subject in English. It is abreast of recent scholarship, written with clearness and vigor, and touches on all phases of the wide and difficult field. Perhaps it is just a little too radical in some of its positions to meet the needs of somewhat "belated" students.

B. BOOKS ON THE JEWISH THOUGHT AND LITERATURE OF THE PERIOD.

1. CHEYNE, *Jewish Religious Life after the Exile.* New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons.

Rather fragmentary in its presentation and bold in its positions, but stimulating and illuminative.

*2. TOY, *Judaism and Christianity.* Boston: Little, Brown & Co.

A very scientific and scholarly book, verging on the scholastic.

3. MONTEFIORE, *The Religion of the Ancient Hebrews.* Hibbert Lectures for 1892, Lects. 7–9. London: Williams & Norgate.

Written in a clear and winning style, from a moderately advanced point of view, by a Jewish scholar of the "reformed" type.

*4. SCHULTZ, *Old Testament Theology,* Vol. I, chaps. 17–20. Edinburgh: T. & T. Clark; New York: Chas. Scribner's Sons.

This admirable presentation of the teachings of the Old Testament always repays consultation.

*5. STANTON, *The Jewish and the Christian Messiah,* Pt. I, chap. iii. Edinburgh: T. & T. Clark.

Will be found a helpful statement of Messianic ideas.

*6. KUENEN, *The Religion of Israel,* Vol. III. London: Williams & Norgate.

One of the best volumes of this important work.

7. G. A. SMITH, *The Book of the Twelve Prophets,* Vol. II, chaps. 15 and 31. London: Hodder & Stoughton.

Brief, but compact and enlightening.